

**ELA TOWNSHIP
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Monday
November 29, 2004
6:00 p.m.
Ela Township Senior Center
Foglia YMCA
1025 Old McHenry Rd.
Lake Zurich, IL.
Approved 1-19-05**

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:04p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Supervisor Tinerella, Clerk Prouty, Trustees Black, Burch, Knudtson and Sullivan. Attorney Puma also was present.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Public Comment

There were no public comments at this time.

5. Closed Executive Session for the purpose of discussing land acquisition for Ela Township Memorial Park.

Supervisor Tinerella's motion to enter into closed executive session for the purpose of discussing land acquisition, seconded by Trustee Sullivan. Roll Call: Supervisor Tinerella, Trustees Black, Burch, Knudtson and Sullivan all voted aye and the motion carried 5 to 0.

6. Return to open session-consideration and possible action on items discussed in closed session.

Trustee Sullivan's motion to purchase the Schuh property on Telser Road for \$2,850,000 and name it Ela Township Veteran Memorial Park, seconded by Trustee Knudtson.

Discussion:

Trustee Black thought the Board should check on the land next to Knox Park.

Trustee Burch is tired of giving answers the Board has been planning to purchasing property for four years. There is a master plan and will be presented at the next Board Meeting.

Supervisor Tinerella only comment is this really the piece we are talking about for roughly \$2,850,000 has only been discussed by the Board two times and we have spent probably less than two hours with very incomplete information reviewing this and she did not feel comfortable at all voting for this and making an offer.

Trustee Knudtson said as a Board we tried to work through problems in closed sessions that always get leaked out to the public and the more we get involved the more it gets turned upside down. We have the advantage of hours and hours of work

that a Trustee did privately so that we could get this information on the land in closed session and look at it and make some decisions and the number of hours that Trustee Knudtson has put into it does not reflect the hours the Board has put into it.

Roll Call: Trustees Sullivan, Knudtson and Burch all voted aye and the motion carried 3 to 2. Supervisor Tinerella and Trustee Black voted nay.

Trustee Sullivan's motion that he will contact the person involved to make arrangements to have Ela Township's Lawyer and himself meet with property owner and his lawyer to enter into a contract to purchase the Schuh property for cash, seconded Trustee Knudtson. Roll Call: Trustees Sullivan, Knudtson, and Burch all voted aye and the motion carried 3 to 2. Supervisor Tinerella and Trustee Black voted nay.

Trustee Sullivan's motion to have Trustee Burch and the Park committee make arrangements with the American Legion and the V.F.W. to dedicate the new Veteran Memorial Park in the future after all the papers are signed, seconded by Trustee Burch. This motion was cancelled until later.

Trustee Black thought that this dedication and the naming of park should be postponed and given more consideration.

7. Adjournment

Supervisor Tinerella's motion to adjourn at 7:35p.m., seconded by Trustee Knudtson. Roll Call: Supervisor Tinerella, Trustees Knudtson, Burch, Black and Sullivan all voted aye and the motion carried.